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Amman	16	31
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## Catholic archbishop dies here at age 73

AMMAN, May 25 (Petra) — The Roman Catholic Vicar General Delegate in Jordan, Archbishop Ni'mah Al Sam'an, died here from a severe heart attack at the age of 73.

Archbishop Ni'mah Al Sam'an was born in Haifa in Palestine. He holds a degree in philosophy from the Holy Sepulchre University in Jerusalem. He served as archbishop in several Jordanian towns, including Amman and Al Husun. In 1973 he was transferred to Amman where he was appointed Vicar General Delegate in Jordan in the same year. He held the post until his death.

Archbishop Ni'mah Al Sam'an left many writings, articles and lectures on the role of citizens in the Palestinian issue. In addition to Arabic, he spoke English, French, Italian, Latin, Greek and Hebrew. The body of Archbishop Ni'mah Al Sam'an will lie in state from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. tomorrow at the Roman Catholic Patriarchate here.

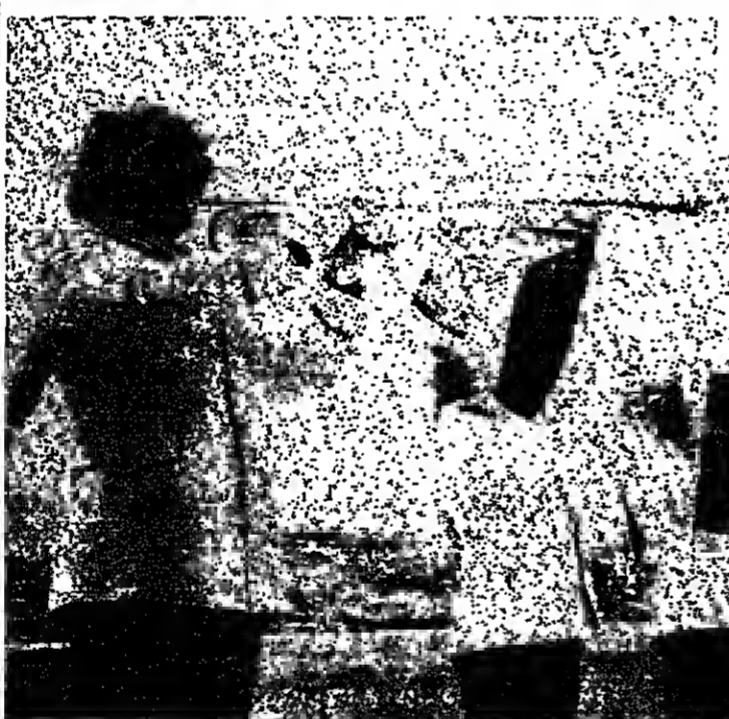


Archbishop Ni'mah Al Sam'an (1973 photo)

## A day of joy...and remembrance



Above: His Majesty King Hussein decorates a warrant officer, working at the King Hussein Medical Centre, at the Martyrs Monument, where trumpeters (below) played in tribute to Jordan's war dead on the occasion of Independence and Army Day, which was preceded by fireworks displays that lit up the skies over the capital Sunday night. More photos on page 2. (Staff photos by Yousef Al Allan)



AMMAN, May 25 (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein today patronised a ceremony organised by the armed forces at the Martyrs' Monument for Independence and Army Day. A 21-gun salute greeted King Hussein upon his arrival at the ceremonial site, where he reviewed the guard of honour. He was met upon arrival by Prime Minister Mudar Badran, the commander in chief of the armed forces, Lt. Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, the army chief of staff, Maj. Gen. Abdul Hadi Al Majali, and guests who included senior government officials and high-ranking army officers.

The King and the audience visited the Martyrs' Monument and King Hussein watered the Tree of Life as the armed forces band played the tattoo of the retreat. Later, King Hussein decorated a number of army officers, non-commissioned officers and troops with medals. He also met with heads of diplomatic missions in Amman and representatives of various sectors of the public who expressed their good wishes on the occasion of Independence and Army Day.

On the occasion, King Hussein received cables of good wishes from king and heads of state of Arab and friendly nations. Cables came from the leaders of Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Kuwait, Qatar, North Yemen, Libya, Morocco, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, Pakistan, Turkey, the Soviet Union, the United States, Great Britain, India, Yugoslavia, China, Italy, Cuba, North Korea, South Korea, Romania, West Germany, Vietnam, Hungary, Sri Lanka, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland and Australia. Cables also arrived from Arab League Secretary General Chadi Klibi and United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim.

## King goes to USSR

AMMAN, May 25 (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein left here today for Moscow on a state visit at the invitation of the Presidium of the Supreme Soviet of the U.S.S.R. and the Soviet government.

The King was seen off at Amman airport by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, His Highness Prince Mohammad, Speaker of the Upper House of Parliament Bahjat Talhoumi, President of the National Consultative Council Ahmad Tarawneh, the Minister of the Court, the commander in chief of the armed forces, Lt. Gen. Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, and a number of high-ranking officials. Accompanying King Hussein on his visit are Prime Minister Mudar Badran, Foreign Minister Marwan Al Qasem, chief of the Hasbaniya Royal Court Ahmad Al Lawzi, and a number of high-ranking officials. Crown Prince Hassan was sworn in as Regent during King Hussein's stay in the Soviet Union.

A royal decree today appointed Minister of Information Adnan Abu Odeh as acting prime minister and acting foreign minister during the absence of Mr. Badran and Mr. Qasem.

## Syria braces itself

DAMASCUS, May 25 (R) — Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam said today Damascus was pressing ahead with preparations to face an attack as a military spokesman announced the downing of an Israeli reconnaissance plane over Syria. The spokesman said the spy plane was shot down by Syrian air defences in the Zahadani region along the Syrian-Lebanese border west of Damascus. It was the sixth plane Syria said it had shot down since the start of the missile crisis with Israel almost four weeks ago.

The Israelis have admitted losing three aircraft, including a pilotless reconnaissance drone today, but Israel said it was shot down over the Bekaa Valley of eastern Lebanon. The Syrian news agency SANA, meanwhile, quoted Mr. Khaddam as having told ministers Syria rejected any pressure or threats from Israel "and is going ahead with its preparations for facing any aggression at any time."

## Sadat: No concessions on Camp David, even to regain Arab friends

KHARTOUM, May 25 (A.P.) — Egypt will not stray from its Camp David commitments even if such a move would help Cairo renew ties with the rest of the Arabs, Egyptian President Anwar Sadat said today. His remark came one day after Sudanese President Jaafar Numeiri announced Sudan is ready to convene an Arab summit conference—including Egypt—because the dispute between Cairo and her Arab brethren is damaging Arab unity.

Mr. Sadat and Mr. Numeiri met with reporters here at the end of a two-day visit by the Egyptian leader. The trip was Mr. Sadat's first journey to an Arab state since March of 1979 when he signed his controversial separate peace with Israel. Mr. Sadat was asked if he would make concessions to other Arab states, almost all of whom bitterly oppose the Egyptian-Israeli rapprochement, in order to facilitate their responding favourably to Mr. Numeiri's plea. "As for Egypt, we have no complexes. If you mean concessions that touch on Camp David or the peace treaty, no. No concessions there at all." Mr. Numeiri announced yesterday, "Egypt is Arab and can be nothing else." He said the Egyptians must be welcomed back into the Arab tent because Arab unity was impossible without her.

## Saudis to raise oil price?

GENEVA, May 25 (A.P.) — Saudi Arabia, in a bid to strike a broad compromise, seemed prepared today to raise its oil price, three OPEC oil ministers said publicly at the end of the first day of a price-setting meeting here. The other 12 OPEC members would freeze their prices under the compromise, according to conference sources. Saudi Arabia, the world's largest oil exporter, currently charges \$32 a barrel. Sources close to two influential OPEC ministers predicted the Saudis would raise their price by \$12 a barrel. The oil ministers of the United Arab Emirates, Iraq and Libya indicated that the price would go up. "I am optimistic that we might do something to narrow a bit the gap between the various prices of crude," said UAE Minister Mana Said Oteibah after stressing that this did not mean that the higher prices would be lowered. Iraq's Tayeb Abdul Karim also told reporters he believed the Saudis would raise their price. Most OPEC countries charge about \$36 a barrel but Saudi Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani has ruled out an increase to that level. (Earlier story on page 6)

## AWACS deal hit in poll

NEW YORK, May 25 (A.P.) — The Reagan administration's plan to sell advanced radar warning planes to Saudi Arabia is opposed by most Americans, who don't like to see the United States sell military equipment to any foreign country, an Associated Press-NBC News poll says. The Reagan administration said earlier this year that it planned to sell five Airborne Warning and Control Systems (AWACS) planes to the Saudis. Only 19 per cent of those polled said they favour the AWACS sale. Fifty-four per cent opposed it, and 27 per cent were not sure. Fifty-two per cent said the United States should not sell any arms to any foreign country. Only 27 per cent said such sales should be made.

## Victory expected in Bundestag vote

## Key missile-policy test for Schmidt today

AMMAN, May 25 (R) — West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, buoyed by support of U.S. and French leaders, looked sure of weathering a potentially divisive parliamentary test over defence policy. Schmidt returned here last night strengthened by backing from President Ronald Reagan and French President Mitterrand for his stance on the O's European missile test—currently the big test in German politics. An important gesture for the president Reagan after last week's talks that placed equal weight on the O's of a 1979 NATO decision both for deployment of U.S. missiles and arms in Moscow. Before the trip Mr. Schmidt said his future on full implementation of the NATO plan, going to step down if his democratic party (SPD) is a different line. In parliamentary parties in West Germany (lower house) squaring a major defence debate, Mr. Schmidt's last of summitry seemed to divide dividends at home. NATO programme is opposed by SPD leftists who suspect an administration of talks offer only as a cover for deployment of the missiles, more than 200 in West Germany. An effort to flush SPD dissent into the open and split the left-liberal conservative opposition was tabling a motion stressing parliament's support for the alliance move. But SPD sources predicted the coalition parties would now be able to close ranks behind a rival draft citing Mr. Reagan's "equal weight" assurance, as well as an earlier U.S. pledge to seek talks with Moscow by the end of the year. Though abstentions by a handful of the estimated 40 or so left-wing SPD deputies were still possible, commentators generally expected Mr. Schmidt to clear the hurdle with ease. A leading leftist, Mr. Manfred Coppel, was quoted in a newspaper interview as saying there was probably majority SPD support for the NATO programme. He complained it had become a question of personal loyalty to Mr. Schmidt and this made factual discussion "hardly possible." Opposition Christian Democratic leader Helmut Kohl, whose party backs the NATO programme, aid on television the Washington talks merely confirmed decisions taken at a NATO foreign ministers' meeting in Rome early this month. He said the chancellor returned empty-handed, having failed to persuade Mr. Reagan to speed up the arms talks timetable. Commentators noted Mr.

## Gulf council signed into life

ABU DHABI, May 25 (Agencies) — The heads of state of Saudi Arabia and five Gulf states signed an agreement today uniting their countries in a Gulf Cooperation Council despite sharp differences on defence policy. According to the charter, the six countries are to observe unified systems in financial affairs, trade, communications, education, culture, health, social affairs, information, tourism, and administrative and legislative affairs. It also stipulates that the six will jointly step up cooperation in the fields of scientific and technological advancement, industry, mining and agriculture. A \$6 billion joint investment company has been approved, to operate outside the Arab World within the framework of the council's financial committee. No details were available as to how this capital will be apportioned among the six member states. Conference sources said that the foreign ministers of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Qatar, Oman and Bahrain had agreed to shelve discussion of proposals by Oman that the council give priority to military cooperation. Shortly before the summit opened here a broadcast on government-run Oman Radio illustrated the sharp division between the sultanate, which has made military facilities available to the United States, and its Gulf neighbours. "Economic power alone is not enough," Oman Radio warned, "and will remain under a threat unless there is a defensive force to protect it." Gulf diplomats said the six were sharply divided on the key issue of Gulf defence, with Oman ready to allow Western intervention but with Kuwait and the other states opposed to any overt foreign presence in the region.

## Mitterrand brother in Riyadh

BAHRAIN, May 25 (R) — Mr. Jacques Mitterrand, brother of France's newly-elected Socialist President François Mitterrand, conferred with King Khalid of Saudi Arabia in Riyadh last night, diplomatic sources said today. Mr. Mitterrand, who arrived in the Saudi capital yesterday, also delivered a letter from the president, the sources told Reuters by telephone from Riyadh. Today Mr. Mitterrand, a retired air force general, met Saudi Crown Prince Fahd Ibn Abdul Aziz, the official Saudi Press Agency reported, but gave no details of their discussions. The sources said Mr. Mitterrand was in the kingdom in connection with a contract with the Saudi-based Arab Satellite Communications Organisation (Arabsat), which plans to launch and operate a satellite communications system for the Arab region. Mr. Mitterrand is head of the state-owned Aerospace Company, which was awarded the contract for the project.

## 3 embassies assaulted in West Beirut

BEIRUT, May 25 (A.P.) — The United States, Egyptian and Sudanese embassies were blasted by rifle- and rocket-fired grenades early today in what police called concerted attacks protesting Sudanese-Egyptian entente. Police said one Lebanese guard at the U.S. embassy was slightly injured at 1 a.m. when unidentified marksmen blasted four rifle-fired grenades into the second, third and fourth floors of the building in West Beirut. The blasts knocked out windows but caused only minor damage otherwise. At the same time, the Egyptian and Sudanese embassies also were hit but by rocket-propelled grenades. Two grenades struck the sixth floor of the Egyptian embassy in west Beirut. Mr. Yousef Omar Al Hindi, a counselor at the embassy, was slightly injured by fragments from a grenade which hit the residential quarters. The other grenade struck the embassy offices. The grenade intended for the Sudanese embassy, on the seventh floor of a nine-storey West Beirut building, did little damage, striking a rooftop water reservoir. The attacks on the embassies came while Egyptian President Anwar Sadat was in Khartoum where Sudanese President Jaafar Numeiri called for an Arab summit at which leaders would discuss reuniting Egypt to the Arab World. Sporadic shelling and sniper fire claimed two lives today in the East Beirut suburb of Hadass. One of the casualties was a Lebanese soldier, police said.

# NATIONAL



## Bedouins add colour to festivities

Jordan's bedouins were colourfully represented at Monday's celebrations at Al Hussein Youth City to mark Independence and Army Day. One of the contingents of the guard of honour (right) which His Majesty King Hussein inspected at the beginning of the festivities

was dressed in the multi-coloured attire of the desert police. The bedouin's character of honesty, simplicity and amiability is depicted above, as an unidentified tribal leader presents his congratulations to King Hussein on the occasion. (Staff photos by Yusef Al 'Allan)



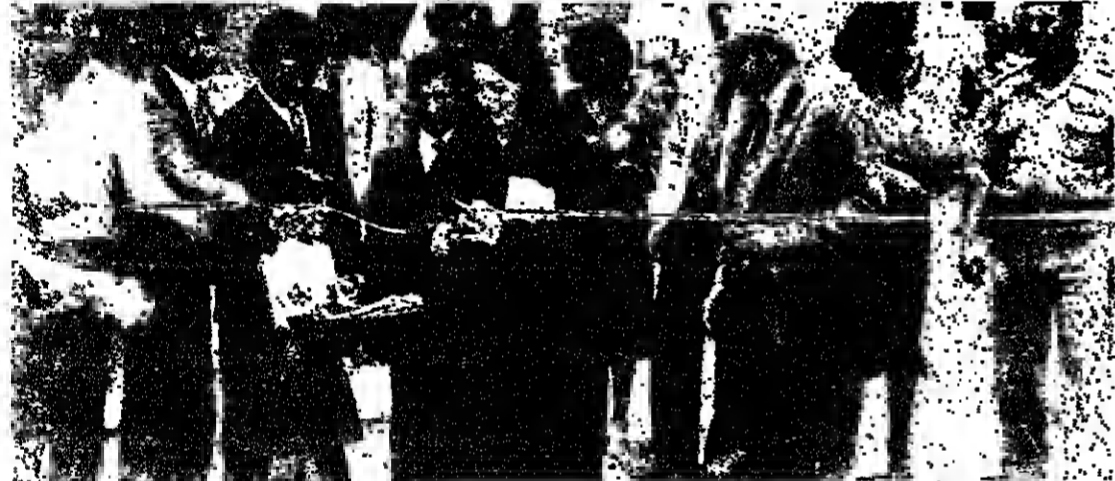
## Princess Alia inaugurates construction for University of Jordan Alumni Club

AMMAN, May 25 (Petra) — Construction on a centre for the University of Jordan's Alumni Club started today near Al Hussein Youth City in a ceremony held under the patronage of Her Highness Princess Alia.

After Princess Alia inaugurated the ceremony, the president of the Alumni Club made a speech expressing the members' gratitude to His Majesty King Hussein for granting the club a tract of land for the building and also thanked the Jordanian armed forces for undertaking to carry out the first stage of the JD 650,000 construction.

The president also called for contributions to help the centre carry out its activities.

The ceremony was held today to coincide with Jordan's Independence and Army Day and was attended by the president of the University of Jordan, Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali, a representative of the commander in chief of the Jordanian armed forces, Amman's governor and Alumni Club members.



Her Highness Princess Alia cuts the ribbon Monday to launch construction work on a new centre for the University of Jordan's Alumni Club.

## WHAT'S GOING ON

### Exhibitions

The University of Jordan Alumni Club marks Independence Day with an exhibition celebrating the Jordanian heritage. The exhibition opens to members and their friends at 6:30 p.m., at the club premises.

The British Council presents sculpture from its permanent collection at the Jordan National Gallery of Fine Arts. The exhibition is open to the public from 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 3-6 p.m., and remains open daily except Tuesday.

The French Cultural Centre presents an exhibition of photographs by members of the centre's photography club. The exhibition is open to the public at the centre's ball in Jabal Lattayibeh.

The British Council presents "Recent Prints from Britain", an exhibition of original prints by Hockney, Kitago, Fassolas and many others. This exhibition, held previously at the Council in Amman, is on display in the foyer of Alcazar Hotel in Aqaba.

### Spring Festival

The Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities presents the Spring Festival of art, which was celebrated in Aqaba last month, at the Alia Art Gallery in Shmeisani.

### Piano Concert

The Aqaba Holiday Inn, in cooperation with the British Council, presents Mr. Martin Siegel in a piano recital. The performance will begin at 8 p.m., at the hotel's poolside terrace.

### Film

The Goethe Institute presents "Lina Braake Oder" (1974), at 8 p.m., at the institute in Jabal Amman (in German, with English sub-titles).

### Videotape Programmes

The American Centre presents a videotape summary of CBS television news for the past week. The tape will be shown at noon and 4 p.m., at the centre's auditorium, off Third Circle in Jabal Amman.

## ART REVIEW

### Small experiment paves way for a new photographic club

By Meg Abu Hamdan  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, May 25 — A small experiment is going on at the French Cultural Centre over the next two weeks. It looks like an interesting but informal photographic exhibition of scenes and people in Jordan and France, but that is just a cover story. The real purpose of these prints is to encourage people to come forward to enquire about the art of photographic development.

The French Cultural Centre, always a great proponent of photography, has had black and white developing equipment and a dark room for the use of its members for a number of years. However, to encourage greater use of these facilities M. Corbel, one of the teachers at the centre, decided to form a photographic club and about two months ago he advertised to that effect in the French magazine "Echo" — and received no replies. So he and five friends got together and produced this small display of colour and black and white prints — the latter all being developed at the centre — to see if the Jordanians could be encouraged by this more practical method. This way, he thought, they can actually see for themselves what can be achieved.

As a tribute to the quality of these prints, many Jordanians already have enquired about the art and in October, after both the summer break and the installation of new black and white and colour developing equipment in better and more spacious accommodation at the Centre, there will be a new photographic club in Jordan.

The photographs on display are titled but not

claimed — the photographers remain anonymous. The reason for this mystery is simply that M. Corbel and his friends wish only to encourage others to take up photography, rather than exhibiting their work — work which however is often very good. Particularly good are some of the Jordanian landscapes — like in the print entitled "Amman" where the old steps climbing up to the Cyf tree are startling white against the dark shadow cast by its enclosing wall. Or take "Wadi Uyu Musa" where the textural qualities that the leaved foliage imparts add emphasis to the smoothness to the tumbling water. Good also is the print "Vallee du Jourdan" whose mosaic cracked dried earth is found incongruously between tall verdant weeds. All these photographs use the use of the tonal and textural qualities of black and white photography. Making full use of colour in photography are the three shots of the swirling ferns in the white, red and purple hued rocks which can only be found at Petra. These photographs look like beautiful abstract paintings that it is difficult to tell that this is the reality of nature.

Characteristic of the series of still lives taken in France is their tasteful composition: the geometry of the windows, table and complex shadows softened by the vaporous flowers, while the evening light and peaceful garden scenes transmute the calm serenity of the French countryside. They are romantic perhaps but at least not stereotypical and conventional like the series of prints entitled "Forest of Vernon".

Anyone interested in learning how to develop their own photographs should contact M. Corbel and anyone interested in how to take photographs will learn a lot from a visit to this small exhibition.

## Princess Basma receives Qatari minister of labour

AMMAN, May 25 (Petra) — Qatari Minister of Labour and Social Affairs Ali Ahmad Al Ansari arrived here today for a four-day official visit to Jordan at the invitation of Her Highness Princess Basma, honorary chairman of the Queen Alia Jordan Welfare Fund (QAJWF).

In a statement upon arrival, Mr. Ansari said that he would hold talks with Jordanian officials aimed at boosting cooperation between Jordan and Qatar in social affairs.

The princess, along with Minister of Labour Jawad Al Anani and Minister of Social Development In'am Al Mufti, as well as Amman Mayor Isam Ajlouni and members of QAJWF's board of trustees were at the airport to meet the Qatari minister.

Mr. Ansari visited this afternoon the headquarters of QAJWF and met with Her Highness Princess Basma, and the fund's board members.

Mr. Ansari was briefed on the QAJWF's educational and voluntary activities and its future programmes. The meeting was also attended by Minister of Social Development In'am Al Mufti.



Her Highness Princess Basma (at head of table) briefs visiting Qatari Minister of Labour and Social Affairs Ali Ahmad Ansari (in dress) Monday on activities of the Queen Alia Fund for Voluntary Work.

## NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

AMMAN, May 25 (Petra) — The three month school summer vacation for government, private and UNRWA schools in Jordan began today. A Ministry of Education spokesman said that schools will reopen for students on Aug. 22, 1981, but teachers will have to be at their schools on Aug. 15. Make-up examinations will be held on Aug. 17, the spokesman said.

AMMAN, May 25 (Petra) — Thirty four Jordanian merchants including a baker, and two greengrocers have been fined between JD 60 to JD 70 each for violating Ministry of Supply regulations. The military governor yesterday endorsed the sentences.

MAFRAQ, May 25 (Petra) — The Water Supply Corporation will construct a pipeline network to supply water to five villages in the Mafraq district. Work on the JD10,000 project will start next month. The 6,000-metre-long network will supply water to the villages of Umm Qatima, Housban, Al Sa'adeh, Al Bashiriya and Al Rabbah.

AMMAN, May 25 (Petra) — A chess tournament organised by the Ministry of Education for school students opened here today. Taking part in the tournament are students from 85 preparatory and secondary schools around the country.

RAMTHA, May 25 (Petra) — The municipal council of Al Sha'ara in the Ramtha district has earmarked JD 35,000 for the construction and paving of roads in the village. Work on these roads will start next month. The council also allocated the necessary funds for the construction of a secondary school for girls, a shopping centre and a football field in the village, a municipal council source said.

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# A happy day for disabled kids at the airport

AMMAN, (J.T.) — To mark the International Year of Disabled Persons, Alia, the Royal Jordanian Airline, recently played host to some 150 handicapped children and their teachers, from institutes in Amman, Zarqa and Irbid.

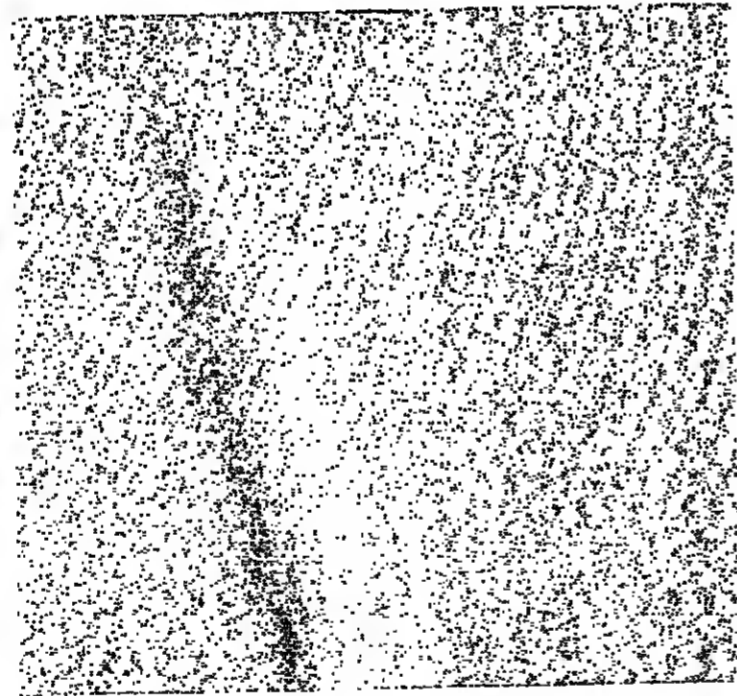
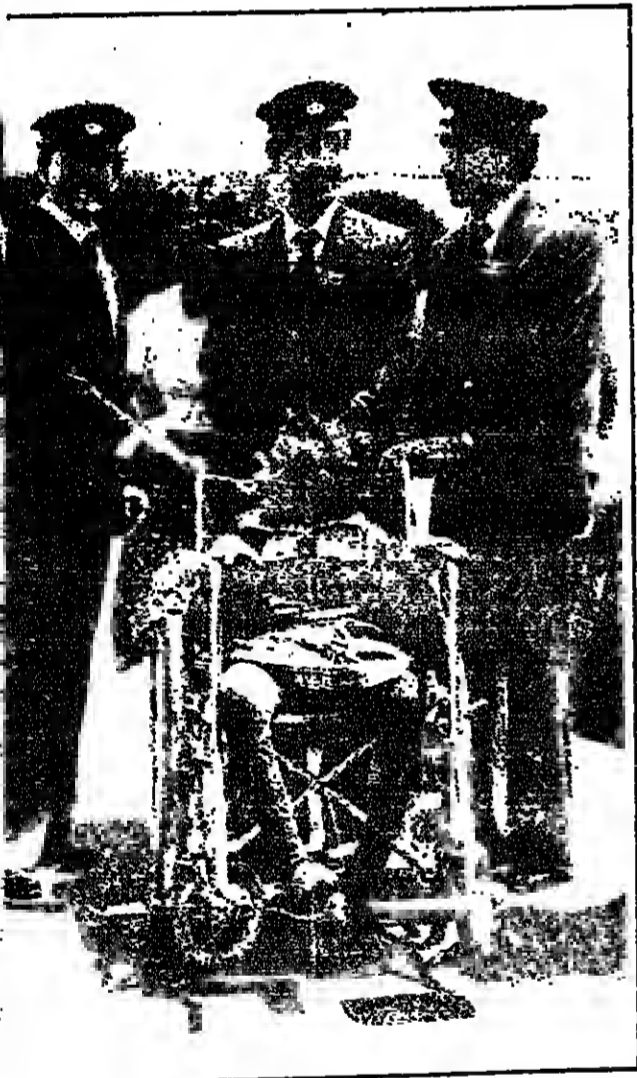
Four busloads of excited youngsters arrived at the airport on the occasion, all delightedly anticipating their visit to the Prince Hamza, the airline's newest Boeing 747 airliner. The smart-looking Alia crew members, decked out in full uniform specially for the occasion, greeted the visitors and helped them aboard the plane, carrying those who could not walk.

After being officially welcomed aboard and having thoroughly inspected the aircraft,

which all agreed was very beautiful, the children were served a snack of cakes, candies and soft drinks. And, amid a great deal of singing, applause and giggling, gifts of colouring books, crayons, stickers, inflatable toys and other playthings were distributed — to both the children and their teachers.

The smiling faces of hosts and guests alike showed that a good time was had by all. The children had had the "time of their lives," reported the institutions' directors, who thanked everyone involved for the "beautiful experience."

The crew members, all of whom had volunteered their time for the event, are already planning another such occasion in the very near future.



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OPINION

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The crisis of Palestinian universities in West Bank

Following is the statement of a delegation of eight U.S. academics who visited the Israeli-occupied West Bank from November 23-30, 1980. The delegation, which was sponsored by the Association of Arab-American University Graduates (AAUG), conducted wide-ranging interviews with university

administration, faculty and students -- including students wounded by Israeli Army gunfire -- at Al Najah University in Nablus, Birzeit University, Bethlehem University and the Arab College of Nursing in Al Bireh. Their findings will be published as a report in mid-1981.

RECENT DEMONSTRATIONS on the West Bank were part of a general Palestinian resistance to military occupation, but also must be understood specifically in terms of the crippling restrictions placed on higher education by military authorities.

These include an extensive censorship of teaching materials (more than eleven hundred books of various types are specifically forbidden for use in classrooms as well as possession by individuals), onerous restrictions on formal lectures and extracurricular programmes and events. The recent student protests at Birzeit Uni-

versity, for instance, challenged a ban by the military government on the celebration of Palestine Week, a cultural event whose most provocative feature turned out to be the representation of the Palestinian flag in certain student paintings. Meanwhile, all lectures by visitors and outside speakers must be approved by the military government, with the text of the lecture submitted one month in advance. Compliance with these

regulations does not, of course, ensure the approval of such events, which are frequently forbidden arbitrarily and without further explanation, on the summary grounds of Israeli "security."

whole range of restrictions on the freedom of individual students and faculty members, from random detention to the denial of work permits, the suspension or expulsion of students from school, restrictions on freedom of movement, and in some cases the outright expulsion of students or faculty.

the development of Palestinian community organisation, has also included the detention and expulsion of some of the community leaders. The confiscation of this property by the so-called "iron-fist" of the Begin government in 1980, subsequent to the signing of the Camp David accords.

ARAB PRESS COMMENTARY

AL RA'I: At the beginning of Independence and Army Day celebrations, His Majesty King Hussein opened a new air base carrying the name of one of Jordan's heroes and martyrs, that of martyr Muwaffaq Al Salti. This gesture signifies all the noble meaning and supreme goals of this cherished occasion.

AL DUSTOUR: The Jordanian people have always been proud of their courageous leadership and its national achievements. They have, also, always been proud of their armed forces as the shield which protects the national dignity and achievements. The Jordanian people have always made the occasion of Independence and Army Day an important national occasion, celebrating it with pride and expressing their gratitude towards the courageous and wise leadership.

Today, we feel proud of our armed forces and their pioneer leadership. We are proud of their high standard of ethics, courage, strength and readiness. They are our asset for regaining the usurped homeland and for repulsing the aggression against this nation by those who think that the Arab Nation is still living in the age of retreat and hope to achieve their mad expansionist ambitions.

At Al Najah University in Nablus, for instance, faculty work permits which were at best renewable annually have gradually been reduced to periods of six months and in some cases even to one month or two-week durations. It is obviously extremely difficult for such institutions to recruit faculty when the latter can never be sure that their work permits will not be revoked without explanation in the middle of the academic semester.

Paradoxically, these representations, which crystallized Order No. 854, have brought about the opposite of what were intended to achieve: further order and submission, they resulted in a renewal of Palestinian national consciousness and resistance, as the recent demonstrations show. These are of course an integral part of the more general re-creation of a new atmosphere of daily life under military occupation. Yet more specifically they destabilize education, which is one of the resources of the Palestinian people. We ask that they be repealed immediately, and that accede from other countries and people of good will generally join in denouncing these measures.

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One more time

THE TACTICS of a cornered Zionist are so predictable that his worn-out old pleas to the world have started falling on deaf ears. The case of Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin today is a fine example of Zionism's ritual incantation of a catalogue of clichés that were once effective in the 50s and 60s, but that are now exposed as nothing more than the repetitive misinformation campaign of a master of deceit.

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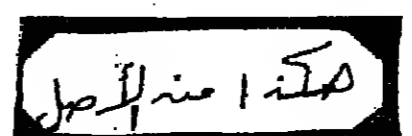
FORECAST FOR TUESDAY, MAY 26, 1981

YOUR DAILY Horoscope from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: You have many things to do that will make your surroundings more pleasant now. A few words of encouragement where deserved will be greatly appreciated at this time.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Study important details of a new project you have in mind. Be careful of one who has ulterior motives. Take it easy tonight. GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Discuss new plans with associates and get them to cooperate with you. Be sure to avoid big expenditures of money.

Horoscope content with zodiac signs and their corresponding advice for the day.



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# MIDDLE EAST

## Sadat reviews parade in Khartoum; Numeiri calls for Arab Summit

KHARTOUM, May 25 (R) — President Anwar Sadat reviewed a military parade in the capital today in which Chinese, French and German military equipment was shown.



Two-hour parade, the largest shown here, marked the anniversary of the coup brought President Jaafar Numeiri to power. MiG-21 planes flew past and an announcer said Yugoslavia had helped supply spare parts for the planes after the embargo by the Soviet Union was lifted due to political differences.

Sadat held a closed session of talks — the third since Mr. Sadat's arrival yesterday. They will hold a press conference later on the outcome of their talks. Meanwhile, President Jaafar Numeiri had called for an Arab summit to resolve differences with Egypt over its peace treaty with Israel.

Mr. Numeiri said in a speech last night that Egypt should participate in the conference, which would be devoted to finding a formula for "joint Arab action." He was speaking shortly after President Anwar Sadat arrived in Khartoum on his first visit to an Arab country since signing the accord with Israel two years ago. All Arab countries except Sudan, Somalia and Oman have severed diplomatic and economic relations with Egypt in protest against the treaty.

## J.S. embassies criticised for poor construction plans

By Carl Hartman

WASHINGTON (A.P.) — After spending \$3 million on a house in Manila, the U.S. ambassador to Egypt complained, the embassy is trying to build a new \$2 million, U.S. general consulate office (GAO) in Bangkok. The contract just to redo the old job originally estimated at \$200,000, actually came to \$700,000, according to a report. "It is not suitable for the ambassador's residence because of its poor location for security reasons," the report says. "For example," the report says, "the embassy purchased in 1970 a residence because it is extremely costly to operate and maintain. The ambassador does not concur with FBO's plans as a result, the new residence plans are at present indefinitely deferred."

Mr. Slayton explained that the house is too far from town and has security problems. The GAO found smaller cost overruns on other projects in Cairo and Alexandria, in Tunis, Manila and Bangkok. In Bangkok, the U.S. mission reported 12 buildings being constructed in October 1979. The GAO says the buildings were much older but had never been reported earlier. It blames unnamed ambassadors for some delays on projects. "The GAO has been trying unsuccessfully to replace one (residence) purchased in 1970 because it is extremely costly to operate and maintain. The ambassador does not concur with FBO's plans as a result, the new residence plans are at present indefinitely deferred."

On the other hand, Mr. Slayton points out that the Hotel Talleyrand is expected to increase in value. There are advantages that accountants can't tally in owning one of the finest buildings in Paris, two blocks from the embassy. Any new site would probably have to be a considerable distance away. (A.P.)

As Jewish families move in

## Hebron calls for one-hour strike

TEL AVIV, May 25 (R) — Palestinian leaders in the occupied West Bank town of Hebron today called for a one-hour general strike tomorrow to protest against plans to house Jews there. Acting Hebron Mayor Mustafa Natshe told reporters the strike was levelled at the restoration of buildings in the town centre to allow Jewish families to move in. The houses are said to have belonged to Jews prior to clashes in 1929 which drove the Jewish community out of Hebron.

Hebron Mayor Mustafa Natshe demanded United Nations intervention. In another development, nine unidentified Spanish mayors have been banned by Israel from visiting the West Bank as the invitations were sent by the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), military sources claimed. The sources said the mayors were due to arrive from Jordan this week but were informed they would not be allowed across the Jordan River.

Mr. Natshe also complained about the continued violation by Jewish worshippers of regulations governing prayer services in the tomb of patriarchs, revered by both Muslims and Jews. Palestinian leaders yesterday said two Jewish families already had moved into the houses and

The mayors were invited by the PLO to various towns in the West Bank and Israel proper to discuss "twin city" agreements, the sources said, adding the authorities here were angered because the list of places they were due to visit did not distinguish between Arab towns on the two sides of the 1967 Israeli border.

## Sadat reported to offer Iraq hefty discount on arms deal

CAIRO, May 25 (A.P.) — Egyptian President Anwar Sadat offered Iraq a hefty discount on an arms deal aimed at re-enforcing the Iraqis in their war with Iran, sources here say. Egyptian sources said Mr. Sadat gave the Iraqis a \$10-million discount on artillery, ammunition and artillery parts.

peace with Israel. Egyptian military officers said the offer did not represent a particularly large package. Neither the officers nor usually reliable Egyptian diplomatic sources could explain why Mr. Sadat provided the \$10-million discount. An earlier Saudi Arabian report, appearing in the London-based newspaper Al Shark Al Awsat, said Mr. Sadat granted the credit because the Iraqis aided Egypt in 1973.

This is the second time Mr. Sadat is reported to have sold arms to the Iraqis, despite the fact Iraq has been one of the more bitter opponents of Egypt's separate

## Libyans in Chad create aches in Khartoum, Cairo

KHARTOUM: Soviet backed Libyan troops in Chad have reinforced their positions in a town 130 kilometres off the Sudanese border and are amassing forces in another strategic central Chadian town, the Sudan News Agency has reported. The report quoting eyewitnesses said "some 120 trucks carrying troops and tanks" arrived earlier this week in the town of Abeche near Sudan's western borders with Chad. The reinforcements came from Kufra a zone in southern Libya.

The troops of Chadian President Goukouni Oueddeï. The report gave no details of the evacuation. But Western sources in touch with developments on the borders have said refugees now trickle in at a rate of 20 to 40 a day compared to the average of 200 earlier this month. Meanwhile, Egypt which has called for a withdrawal of Libyan troops from Chad condemned "as a dangerous precedent" at an impromptu summit meeting grouping the leaders of Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Libya and Chad who met to discuss means of settling the situation in Chad.

The report quoting the same sources said the Libyans were also "reinforcing their positions" in another town, linking at the northern southern provinces of Chad. It gave no details. Western and Sudanese military sources have up till now estimated there were 1,200 Libyan troops, supported by 60 armoured cars, artillery mortar and BM-16 missiles in Abeche. These sources have said the Libyans aided by Soviet and East German advisers have set up a radar station and expanded the Todou airport runway to accommodate MiG-23 jets.

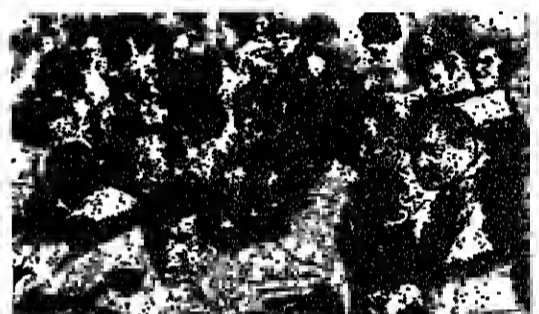
A communique issued by the Egyptian foreign ministry said the meeting was in effect "an endorsement of the Libyan occupation" of Chad, and thus in opposition to demands by 12 African countries earlier this year that the Libyans pull out of Chad. Moreover, the communique questioned the right of "a small group of nations to determine the fate of a country and force a *fait accompli* on the Organisation of African Unity."

In Ati, the same sources estimated the Libyans have 800 men, 30 armoured cars and an unspecified amount of artillery and missiles. The report of the reinforcements comes on the eve of a visit by Egyptian President Anwar Sadat to Sudan. The two countries have a joint defence pact, and the presence of Libyan troops close to the Sudanese borders is worrying both nations, officials have said.

The President of Sierra Leone Siaka Stevens is current chairman of the OAU and Libyan Col. Muammar Qadhafi in an interview with the French news agency alleged the organisation wants Libya to maintain its troops in Chad until a neutral African peacekeeping force can be organised to take over. Mr. Stevens told reporters in the Chadian capital N'Djamena, that he is convinced Libya planned to withdraw its troops from Chad gradually, but refused to link the pullback to the arrival of the proposed African force.

## Polisario to free captives as gesture to Morocco

ALGIERS: The Polisario front, a guerrilla organisation fighting for the independence of the former Spanish Sahara, announced Monday it planned to release prisoners taken in its five years of warfare against Morocco. Mr. Mohammed Abdul Aziz, secretary general of the Algiers-based Polisario front, said the release would come soon "as a sign of solidarity and goodwill toward the Moroccan people."



Freedom at last in sight (Gamma photo)

Mr. Abdul Aziz, in a speech making the eighth anniversary of the beginning of the struggle against Spain in the desert region, did not specify how many prisoners would be freed. Since the beginning of 1976, when Spain withdrew from the territory and it was divided between Morocco and Mauritania, the Polisario has claimed to have captured about 2,000 Moroccan soldiers. The Polisario is trained and financed by Algeria and Libya and operates from Algerian bases. Two

years ago, Mauritania renounced its claim to the southern one-third of the phosphate-rich territory and signed a separate peace with the Polisario. Morocco quickly moved in and annexed the Mauritanian sector. (A.P.)

## Mass exodus from Afghanistan

By Michael Fathers

ASGHORO REFUGEE CAMP, Pakistan: Led by a crippled child, 25,000 members of Afghanistan's Sahari tribe have crossed into Pakistan in a mass migration they say was essential to their survival.

"People from other tribes have come across piecemeal in dribs and drabs. This was a disciplined and organised mass movement as a result of a decision by a whole tribe," a senior U.N. field officer said.

in the Jihad because we were vulnerable living on the plains. We had no protection."

Travelling on camels, donkeys, lorries and on foot, the Sabaris were making the first mass tribal exodus from Afghanistan since the Soviet military intervention there.

By Afghan standards the Sabaris are a wealthy tribe of farmers and merchants coming from a fertile region. Afghan refugees from other tribes in Paktia said the Sabaris were the only tribe which had not actively joined in the Jihad (holy war) against the Soviet army and the Kabul government in the province.

Over 4,000 men joined by other tribesmen, ambushed a government column on its way to the Sabari villages at Palkhel, a wooded valley south of Khost. The fighting lasted four days.



The Sabaris fled to Pakistan from their village homes bringing with them all their moveable belongings and thousands of head of livestock.

The tribe decided to leave after a four-day battle with Afghan troops sent to their homes to disarm them.

They had tried to protect their prosperity during the nearly three-year-long insurgency by maintaining an uneasy neutrality.

"To give up our arms would be dishonour," Mr. Mohammad Zaman, 35, an aide of Ali Jan's said. "We would have no freedom and our lands would have been occupied."

An assembly of 300 tribal elders agreed on the last day of the battle that a mass exodus was the only way to survive and escape retaliation by the Soviet-supplied Afghan army.

In recent months several Sabaris were killed by stray artillery shells and gunshot attacks and the demands of the Afghan authorities on the tribe were becoming more aggressive, Mr. Ali Jan said.

"We came here because we had nowhere else to go. We will establish our families in Pakistan and go back to fight for our freedom. To liberate Afghanistan from the Russians."

Headed by Mr. Mahmoud Ali Jan, their aged chieftain on crutches, the Sabaris fled to Pakistan late last month from their village homes in the fertile lowlands around Khost city in Afghanistan's eastern Paktia province, bringing with them all their moveable belongings and thousands of head of livestock.

Mr. Ali Jan went on: "We were secretly helping the Mujahadeen (the insurgents) fighting in the mountains. We could not take part

The United Nations official said the Sabaris arrived with between 40 and 50 vehicles, including four light buses and lorries.

"They brought their rugs, charpoys (wooden-framed string beds), bicycles and valuables. Some families came with nothing, probably as a result of the speed with which the exodus was planned," he said.

"We were compelled to leave our villages. We had to leave. We live on the plains and had no way to protect ourselves," Mr. Ali Jan said through an interpreter.

After the three-hour-long session, messages were sent to all Sahari villages to begin the exodus to Pakistan over 160 kilometres away.

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Mr. Ali Jan said: "We started moving at night. I arrived in Pakistan after two days in a trailer behind a tractor. We brought thousands of head of livestock. Lots died on the way because there was no fodder or water. Some people sold their stock cheaply because they had no money and we had to purchase tents when we crossed the border."

About 5,000 members of the tribe remained in Paktia. Some decided to risk staying to harvest the abandoned winter crops before leaving later for Pakistan. The others who stayed were described by Mr. Ali Jan as Kabul government sympathisers.

United Nations refugee officials in Parachinar, the Kurram agency headquarters at the tip of the Kurram salient, which juts towards Kabul, said the exodus was unique.



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# ECONOMY

## Yamani 'not very hopeful' on OPEC price agreement

GENEVA, May 25 (R) — Saudi Arabia, under fierce attack from other oil producers for causing a glut on the market, showed little sign at the start of an OPEC meeting today of being ready to raise prices or cut production, as its critics demand.

Saudi Oil Minister Ahmad Zaki Yamani told reporters as he entered the meeting he was "not very hopeful" the 13 nations would succeed in closing the gap between the present Saudi \$32 rate and the \$36 base preferred by other producers.

Sheikh Yamani said his country might be prepared to raise its price if other producers cut theirs. But he said he was not ready to discuss production here.

The oil ministers of Libya, which charges \$41 for its top quality oil, and Iraq said there was "no chance" they would agree to lower their prices. Venezuela's Humberto Calderon Bertel said: "We are going to remain at \$36. If our customers don't want to buy our crude at this level they can go elsewhere."

Delegates spoke briefly to reporters in the lobbies of the International hotel, where the meeting is taking place amid tight security.

Opening the conference, Indonesia's Dr. Subroto, who was re-elected president, said this was a difficult time in the market and all members should show wisdom and not pursue purely national interests in trying to find "a new equilibrium."

Delegates later went into intensive group meetings and scheduled a plenary session in the evening.

## Honecker shopping in Japan

EAST BERLIN, May 25 (R) — East Germany is expected to order advanced industrial technology worth hundreds of millions of dollars during a six-day state visit to Japan by head of state Erich Honecker starting tomorrow.

Trading sources in East Berlin confirmed reports from Tokyo that negotiations are already well under way for plant worth over one billion dollars and said at least one major contract would be completed and signed during the party chief's stay.

It will be Mr. Honecker's third official visit to a Western-oriented country as East German head of state, following trips to the Philippines in 1977 and to Austria six

months ago, the first tour of a West European state by an East Berlin leader.

His previous visits outside the Soviet bloc, mostly to Third World countries, have been largely political in character, aimed at underlining East Germany's growing involvement in international affairs.

But officials in East Berlin say the priorities of the Japan visit are concerned with East Germany's need for technology to modernize some of its industries, and to help it produce high-quality goods primarily aimed at Western markets.

The biggest item on Mr. Honecker's shopping list is a \$500 million oil-cracking plant for East

Germany's petrochemical centre in Schwedt, the trading sources said.

Japan's Toyo Engineering Company is already building a similar plant at the north-eastern oil centre, fed by pipelines from the Soviet Union. The technology enables a far greater refinement of crude oil, providing the material for high-quality chemical products.

Other items under negotiation include a \$250 million electronic appliance factory to produce radios and video equipment, a \$100 million cold-steel sheet mill and a \$150 million steel foundry for Leipzig—a contract also being chased by British and West German firms.

## ECONOMIC NEWS BRIEFS

### USSR helps Iran expand shipping fleet

TEHRAN, May 25 (R) — The Soviet Union has agreed to help Iran expand its shipping fleet in the Caspian Sea to boost communication between the two countries, state radio reported yesterday.

The radio said under an agreement recently signed in Tehran the state-owned Iranian Shipping Company would deal directly with Sudoimport, the Soviet foreign trade organisation, for the purchase of ships. But it did not say what type of vessels were involved.

Iranian and Soviet officials also agreed to increase freight traffic between the two countries to seven million tonnes in the current Iranian year, which began on March 21, the radio said.

Many of Iran's imports from Europe come by rail through the Soviet Union and thence by ship across the Caspian Sea.

The route has taken on added importance because Iran's Gulf ports are congested and vulnerable as a result of the war with Iraq.

### Japan asks Nigeria to cut oil price

TOKYO, May 25 (R) — Japanese oil refiners and traders are negotiating with Nigeria for a cut in oil prices in view of the world-wide oil glut, industry sources said today.

Japan imports about 60,000 barrels a day of crude oil from Nigeria.

Under the Japanese importers' present contracts prices are reviewed every three months.

The sources said the Japanese were asked to make bids on Nigerian oil imports prior to an OPEC (Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries) meeting opening in Geneva today.

They did not detail the Japanese demands, but they are expected to involve a cut in Nigeria's selling prices, now about \$40 a barrel, as well as an end to premiums.

Gulf Oil Corporation of the United States, the biggest buyer of Nigerian oil, has demanded that the Nigerian official price be lowered to \$37 a barrel, the sources said.

The sources said Japan now pays premiums of between one and two dollars a barrel.

### Private sector grows in China

PEKING, May 25 (R) — A total of 810,000 Chinese started their own businesses last year, a Chinese magazine reported today, giving a sign of how far China has shifted towards a mixed public-private economy.

Small scale private enterprise is now not only tolerated but encouraged in China, partly to relieve unemployment which some foreign estimates have put at 20 million in urban areas.

The foreign-language weekly Beijing (Peking) review said the number of people involved in private businesses is small. "What is significant is that more job opportunities are thus created and what these people do is a supplement to the socialist economy," it said.

The magazine also denied that the current economic austerity programme would lead to more unemployment. It said workers whose enterprises were closed down would stay on the payroll while they were retrained.

### Gulf nationals to buy shares in Saudi industrial schemes

BAHRAIN, May 25 (R) — Saudi Arabia's Industry Minister, Ghazi Abdul Rahman Al Quassaby, said yesterday all Gulf nationals would be allowed to buy shares in Saudi government industrial schemes which might go public.

"This is a pledge," Dr. Ghussaby said, adding that the trend now was for the Gulf states to undertake projects collectively and not individually.

There was no place for projects which competed, duplicated or destroyed another in the area, he said.

Dr. Ghussaby flew to Bahrain for an official ceremony marking completion of expansion to the Bahrain Aluminium (ALBA) smelter. The Emir of Bahrain, Sheikh

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**WORLD**

*Skyjacked Turkish airliner in Bulgaria*

**Hostages overpower one hijacker: police take care of other three**

VIENNA, May 25 (Agencies) — The hijacking of a Turkish airliner by left-wing extremists ended today at a Bulgarian airport when police tricked two of the four gunmen into leaving the aircraft and the passengers attacked their two comrades.

One of the hijackers inside the DC9 of Turkish Airlines opened fire, wounding several passengers, before he was overpowered, the Bulgarian news agency BTA reported from the Black Sea port of Burgas.

The second hijacker jumped out of the plane and was seized by police on the tarmac where the other two gunmen had gone in the belief that they would be able to make a statement to journalists.

One of the hijackers was wounded. The names of the wounded passengers were not immediately known.

Among 91 passengers and crew held at gunpoint by the hijackers were five staff of Citibank, the second biggest commercial bank in the United States, whom the gunmen had threatened to kill if their demands were not met.

The hijack ended at 11.50 GMT, three hours before the deadline by which the gunmen had threatened to blow up the aircraft if the Turkish government did not bow to their demands that it free 47 prisoners and pay a \$500,000 ransom.

The Ankara government took a hard line on the hijacking. BTA said a Turkish government team

negotiating with the hijackers at Burgas had let it be known that their government would rather let the aircraft be blown up and written off as an "air accident" than give in to the gunmen's demands. BTA said the Bulgarian authorities had confirmed that there were explosives aboard the plane.

The hijack ended shortly after the gunmen had stepped up pressure on the negotiators by handing over 95 farewell letters written by passengers and crew to their families. Many of them called on Ankara to reconsider its refusal to meet the hijackers' demands.

The hijackers, who seized the airliner on a domestic flight inside Turkey and diverted it to Burgas, were said by BTA to belong to Dev-Sol, the Turkish abbreviation for "Revolutionary Left," one of the most militant left-wing groups active in Turkey before last September's military coup.

Dev-Sol militants have been blamed for the killing of 101 people, including former prime minister Nihat Erim, three army officers and 14 policemen in recent years.

In January of this year, Turkish police said they had smashed the

organisation and that 204 of its members had been arrested.

A police statement released at the time described Dev-Sol as one of the most efficiently run extremist groups in Turkey, and said it aimed to lead a popular uprising to establish a communist order.

Dev-Sol and its branch Dev-Sol (Revolutionary Path) split from the umbrella organisation Dev-Genc (Revolutionary Youth) in the late 1970s over ideological disputes.

Like several other leftist subversive organisations, Dev-Sol was led by university-trained youths who recruited poor rural young people attending schools in

the major cities.

Since the military coup, hundreds of Dev-Sol militants have been rounded up by martial law authorities and scores are being tried by military tribunals for "armed subversion aimed at establishing a Marxist-Leninist state."

Authorities here refused to identify the 47 Dev-Sol sympathisers, whose freedom was being sought by the four hijackers.

Earlier, BTA said Turkish officials present at the airport warned that the 47 prisoners the hijackers want freed would be executed instead if crew members or passengers on the plane were killed.

**Tokyo rejects calls to ban facilities to U.S. warship**

TOKYO, May 25 (R) — Japan's government, under strong criticism over its national security policies, today rejected a parliamentary demand to ban the United States aircraft carrier Midway from returning to its home port on Tokyo Bay.

Foreign Minister Sunao Sonoda turned down the demand by a Communist parliamentarian as the government faced concerted opposition questioning over its attitudes on defence.

"My understanding is that the Midway should be allowed to make the port call as it has in the past," Mr. Sonoda said.

The 64,000-ton carrier, the only U.S. one with a boom port outside the U.S., is now on duty in the Indian Ocean but expected back at nearby Yokosuka on June 5 or 6.

Opposition parties questioned the government after allegations by former senior U.S. officials that U.S. Seventh Fleet warships have been carrying nuclear weapons here in apparent violation of Japanese regulations.

The charges caused a public storm and centre on the Midway. It carries three kinds of planes, capable of dropping nuclear bombs — F-4 Phantoms, A-6 Intruders and A-7 Corsairs.

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**N. Ireland conflict claims 2 more lives**

BELFAST, May 25 (Agencies) — A man was killed in rioting in Belfast during the night, and a soldier was shot dead today, the 29th and 30th victims of violence in Northern Ireland since the Irish Republican hunger-strikes began on March 1.

Police said the civilian was struck by an armoured police Landrover moving to avoid stones and petrol bombs in the Catholic Old Park district.

The soldier was a part-time member of the Ulster Defence Regiment. Three of his colleagues were injured in a carefully planned attack a few kilometres from the home of Francis Hughes, the second of four hunger-striker deaths.

The deaths brought the number of fatalities in the Northern Ireland conflict since 1969 to 2,112, including 603 police and British soldiers.

Of the 30 people killed since March 1, four including a 12-year-old girl died after being hit by British army plastic anti-riot bullets.

Five of the dead were British soldiers — all killed when Irish Republican Army (IRA) guerrillas blew up their troop carrier last Tuesday with a 450-kilo landmine.

Rioting erupted after dark in Belfast last night, as it has every night since IRA hunger-striker Bobby Sands died on May 5, and continued sporadically until dawn.

Meanwhile, supporters of the hunger-striker in Northern Ireland invaded the plush Irish Club in London's smart Eaton Square, Belgrave, last night and said they will occupy it for 24 hours. They will eat nothing in that time, they told the staff.

The group pushed past attendants and took over a room on the first floor, hanging out from a balcony banners demanding closure of the H-shaped cellblocks housing the hunger-striker at Maze prison.

The club is used by professional and businessmen from the Irish Republic. Club manager Thomas Smith said he will not remove the protesters unless they cause trouble.

"They are peaceful at the moment, but I don't suppose my members will be very pleased," Mr. Smith told a reporter.

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**Colonel rebels in Bolivia**

LA PAZ, May 25 (R) — Col. Emilio Lanza, commander of an elite Bolivian paratroop regiment, said today he had taken control of the town of Cochabamba 500 kilometres from La Paz, demanding the replacement of the ruling junta and President Luis Garcia Meza.

In a telephone conversation with Reuters, Col. Lanza said his action was "purely military" although he said he had the support of civilian nationalist forces in Santa Cruz, 900 kilometres southeast of here, particularly those connected with former president Hugo Banzer.

Col. Lanza, who commands the Instruction Centre for Special Troops (CITE) in Cochabamba, led an abortive uprising in support of the same demands 15 days ago in Cochabamba, and subsequently escaped from a military barracks where he was held after his arrest.

Col. Lanza said he had the support of the Eighth Army Division in Santa Cruz, which with the Seventh Division in Cochabamba, declared itself in a state of emergency early today. Bolivia's naval forces and all army units in eastern Bolivia and in Oruro, 230 kilometres southeast of here.

He said he wanted power handed over to whichever general "was capable of getting the country out of its present disastrous state." He added that he would be in favour of power being handed to former president Alberto Natusch or to Gen. Banzer.

Col. Lanza said he had taken complete control of Cochabamba and of all the radio transmitters in the town, which were broadcasting proclamations in favour of his movement.

It was impossible to establish what was happening in other parts of the country, although another CITE officer, who asked not to be named, said Gen. Carlos Turdera, commander of the Seventh Division, was against the movement and would not be allowed to return to Cochabamba from a visit to Sucre.

**S. African black nationalists attack police station, sabotage rail track**

JOHANNESBURG, May 25 (Agencies) — Black nationalist guerrillas attacked a police station and blew up a railway line in separate incidents near big South African cities today, police said.

No-one was hurt in the attacks apparently timed to coincide with Republic Day anniversary celebrations this week.

Police said the police station, about 10 kilometres from the Indian Ocean port of East London, was attacked with a band-grenade and rifle fire.

The grenade was thrown through a window of the charge room which was empty at the time.

Police in Durban later reported an explosion on a railway line outside the city which ripped up a section of track and disrupted traffic.

In that one, saboteurs blew up about a metre of railway track at about 2:30 a.m. (0030 GMT), according to railway police, and cut commuter rail service between Johannesburg and the satellite black township of Soweto.

The attack on the Fort Jackson police station lasted several seconds and was aimed at the charge office, which was unoccupied at the time, the South African Press Association (SAPA) reported from East London.

The agency said a hand-grenade thrown through the window of the office exploded inside, pitting the walls with shrapnel marks. Dozens of spent AK-47 rounds were later found on the station grounds, SAPA said.

Police did not identify the type of explosive or its origin involved in the rail track blast.

Most recent sabotage incidents have been the work of the banned African National Congress, a black nationalist group that seeks the overthrow of white-minority rule here.

In a shooting incident possibly related to the attack on the police station, a policeman was wounded in the black township of Mdantsane.

Throughout the country police had been put on alert in anticipation of trouble after calls by the ANC and other black organisations for a boycott of Republic Day celebrations.

A wide spectrum of black opinion, ranging from the ANC, which is pledged to the overthrow of the white minority government, to moderate Zulu leader Gatsha Buthelezi, has campaigned against the celebrations.

The festival to celebrate the 20th anniversary of South Africa becoming a republic has been building up for weeks with pageants, sports events and other activities. It reaches a climax on Sunday.

**Ecuadorian President Roldos, Defence Minister Subia die in tragic airplane crash near Peru**

QUITO, May 25 (R) — Ecuador's President Jaime Roldos was killed in a plane crash near the Peruvian border yesterday, the government has announced.

His plane crashed and burst into flames near the southern town of Guachanamá, authorities here said. Also on board were his wife, Defence Minister Marco Subia and his wife, two military aides and three crew.

Mr. Jaime Roldos took over as president of Ecuador in August 1979, ending nine years of military rule in the South American republic.

The president, a left-winger, was elected for a five-year term at the age of 39, making him Latin America's youngest ever elected president.

Meanwhile, in Bogota, Colombia, anonymous telephone callers claimed that Colombia's principal leftist guerrilla organisation caused the plane crash, the Bogota daily El Tiempo reported today.

El Tiempo said it received two telephone calls from someone claiming that the April 19 Movement, which has been operating across the border in Ecuador, had been responsible for the plane crash.

"The attempt (on Roldos' life) was carried out by a two-man suicide squad, and both have managed to escape after the operation," El Tiempo reportedly was told in a second telephone call.

The second caller said the April 19 Movement's leader, Jaime Bateman, would soon issue a communique on the alleged involvement of the guerrilla organisation in Mr. Roldos' death.

And in Quito, as hundreds gathered in the rain outside the National Palace, Vice-President Oswaldo Hurtado called the cabinet into session inside and assumed presidency. The president of the House of Representatives, Raul Baca Carbo, became vice-president.

**Former Polish trade minister commits suicide**

WARSAW, May 25 (R) — Former Polish foreign trade minister Jerzy Olaszewski has committed suicide, the official news agency PAP said today.

The agency said it had obtained information about the minister's suicide but that government officials were neither confirming nor denying it.

Mr. Olaszewski, 60, was criticised publicly for his role in leading Poland into its present economic crisis.

He was closely associated with ex-party boss Edward Gierek and was appointed deputy head of the Planning Commission in 1971 shortly after Mr. Gierek came to power.

He took over the key ministry of foreign trade and maritime economy in November 1974 but left the post in circumstances which have never been fully explained in December 1979, just eight months before Mr. Gierek was toppled.

**SPORTS ROUNDUP**

**Volleyball championships at Irbid**

IRBID, May 25 (Petra) — The finals of the volleyball championships were held today at the Hassan Kamal Al-Sabah school on the occasion of Independence and Army Day. Teams representing twelve sports centres from Amman, Balqa, Irbid, Zarka, and Madaba competed in the finals. The tournament was won by the Irbid Centre who beat Ramtha centre 2-0. Cups and prizes were presented to the winning teams by the Director of the Jordanian Youth Organisation, Mr. Mustafa Al-Hassan.

**Can Liverpool regain European Cup?**

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**Soviets look set to retain title**

PRAGUE, May 25 (R) — The Soviet Union and Yugoslavia are favourites to win the European Men's Basketball Championships beginning in Czechoslovakia tomorrow. Defending champions the Soviet Union are in the same group as Yugoslavia, playing in Havírov, North Moravia, and it is completed by Poland, Turkey, West Germany and Italy. The other group, playing in Bratislava, the capital of Slovakia, comprises England, France, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Israel and Spain. Soviet captain Stanislav Yermín said his team were determined to avenge defeats by Yugoslavia and Italy at the Moscow Olympic Games. Yugoslavia would be a hard team to beat, while Czechoslovakia at home also posed a threat, he added. Czechoslovak captain Stanislav Kropilek said: "Hot favourites are the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia." He declined to speculate on his own team's chances. The prospects of the French team, which looked strong early in the qualifying rounds, plunged with their crushing defeat by Spain later in the stage. West Germany is rated the dark horse of the tournament, in which the finals will be played in Prague starting on June 1.

**Israel not invited to Asian Games**

TOKYO, May 25 (R) — Israel will not be invited to take part in the fourth Asian track and field championships in Tokyo next month for "security reasons," the Japanese Amateur Athletic Federation said today. The championships from June 5-7 will be contested by over 350 athletes from 25 countries and will include a contingent from Gaza, Israel, a member of the 34-nation Asian Amateur Athletic Association (AAAA), competed in the inaugural championships in Manila in 1973 and in the second meeting in Seoul in 1975. The AAAA declined to invite Israel to the third championships in Tokyo two years ago, also on "security grounds". Under the rules of the world governing body, the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF), the AAAA's refusal to invite a member country to compete meant the 1979 meeting lost its championship status. There was no immediate indication from the London-based IAAF whether the decision not to invite Israel to next month's meeting would again mean a loss of championship status. Athletes competing here will be eligible to represent Asia at the World Cup in Rome in September.

**Official result places Unser 2nd at Indy**

INDIANAPOLIS, May 25 (R) — Mario Andretti was today named the winner of yesterday's Indianapolis 500 Motor Race after judges ruled that fellow American Bobby Unser had to forfeit a lap for infringing the rules. After studying film of the race, the stewards decided that Unser, the first man across the finishing line, had passed at least seven cars while a yellow caution flag was being displayed, meaning that overtaking is banned. The decision gave Andretti, former world Formula One Champion, his second Indianapolis 500 victory and prize money of more than \$300,000. He won the race in 1969. Unser, a two-time winner who finished 5.3 seconds ahead of Andretti, is believed to be the first driver to be stripped of victory.

**New Zealand could face isolation**

SYDNEY, May 25 (A.P.) — A prominent Australian sports official said today New Zealand could face a decade of isolation in international sports because of the forthcoming South African rugby union tour. Australian Commonwealth Games Association President, Leslie Martyn, said the tour was likely to lead to New Zealand being unwelcome participants at the 1982 Commonwealth Games in Brisbane. He said the invitation by the New Zealand Rugby Union to the Springboks was clearly a challenge to the Games Federation's policy against sporting associations with South Africa. "Black nations comprise the overwhelming majority of the Federation's members and they're likely to pass a resolution that New Zealand should not be welcomed to the Games," Martyn said. Martyn said the most likely outcome was that New Zealand would still attend the Games, and that black nations would refuse to compete in events with New Zealand. The black nations could also protest at the tour by trying to isolate New Zealand in international sport outside of the Commonwealth Games. Martyn said the International Olympic Committee and Soviet Nations had been sympathetic in the past to similar protests. He said it was unlikely that the black nations would boycott the Games on a "Blanket" scale. Martyn said he believed most New Zealanders were against the tour, and added that New Zealand's special relationship with Australia may help the country's participation in the 1982 Games. "But the timing of the Springboks tour in July and August is sure going to create a controversy," he said.

**Athletes praised by British minister**

ANTRIM, Northern Ireland, May 25 (A.P.) — Britain's Minister of Sport, Hector Munro, has congratulated British athletes for agreeing to compete in Northern Ireland, contrasting them with the English and Welsh soccer teams who refused to play in the province because of political troubles. "I was very sad over the last 10 days when Wales and England pulled out of their football fixtures," Mr. Munro told spectators at the United Kingdom Athletics Championships which opened in Antrim.

**WORLD NEWS BRIEFS**

**Albania rejects Yugoslav protests**

VIENNA, May 25 (R) — Albania has rejected a protest by Belgrade over a bomb attack against the Yugoslav embassy in Tirana and hinted that the bombs could have been planted by the Yugoslavs themselves, according to an Albanian embassy statement released here today. The Yugoslav news agency Tanjug reported yesterday that two bombs were thrown at the Yugoslav embassy in the Albanian capital on Saturday, causing damage but no deaths or injuries. The Albanian statement said the bombs had probably been deposited from inside the embassy which was constantly and heavily guarded outside. "All this leads to the conclusion that the explosives were not applied or hurled from outside the surrounding wall of the embassy, but they were deposited by hand at the place of event... and the possibility is excluded that people coming from outside have deposited explosives at the place of event," said an investigating commission, quoted by the embassy statement.

**New Delhi searches for peace in Assam**

NEW DELHI, May 25 (R) — The Indian government has offered to transfer illegal immigrants in Assam to other parts of the country in a bid to end the crisis in the oil producing northeastern state, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported. The news agency quoted informed sources as saying the proposal was made by government negotiators to Assamese agitation leaders discussing since last week the movement in the state in which more than 290 people have died. The government offered to resettle all illegal immigrants, mostly Bangladeshis, who entered Assam between 1961 and 1971, but said the state would have to accept what it called authorised refugees, PTI reported. Previous attempts to resolve the crisis failed after the government said resettling the immigrants would create a serious human problem. Last week the agitators said they would accept the dispersal of the post-1961 immigrants if the government agreed to deport those who entered the state after 1971. The agitation in Assam has virtually ruined the state's economy and cost the country at least \$1.25 billion in lost oil production.

**All in the name of Red Brigades**

ROME, May 25 (A.P.) — Shouting "We are of the Red Brigades," four armed and unmasked bandits, including a woman, today held up a van of a wholesale supermarket on the outskirts south of Rome and made off with 300 million lire (\$300,000), police reported. Police accounts said the four bandits, dressed with the same uniforms of personnel of the Metro Wholesale Supermarket, stopped the van and at pistol point overpowered the two armed guards of the van and escaped with the money in a small Fiat car. Police said the bandits took with them the pistols of the two guards. Police said they found the car used by bandits in a deserted street not far from where the holdup took place.

**Son of Italy's biggest taxpayer abducted**

MODENA, Italy, May 25 (A.P.) — Police using helicopters were combing a vast area around this Italian town today for traces of the son of Italy's biggest taxpayer, timber industrialist Valerio Alpi, kidnapped by armed bandits yesterday. Mr. Alpi's son, Vittorio, 25, was snatched by the masked bandits when he was driving with his sister, Cristina, on a provincial road. Miss Cristina told police a car bearing the kidnappers overtook their BMW and forced it to a stop. "Everything was very fast," Miss Cristina told police. The masked bandits broke the glass of one of our car's windows and at pistol point they forced my brother out and then fled with him in their car." Mr. Valerio Alpi recently made headlines in the Italian press when he topped a list of Italy's major taxpayers with a declared annual income of 863 million lire (\$ 863,000). A total of 18 persons have been kidnapped in Italy so far this year.

**Camerounians in danger in Gabon**

DOUALA, Cameroun, May 25 (R) — Cameroun is evacuating its nationals from neighbouring Gabon after a football match between the two countries ended in street riots, Cameroun Radio said today. It said the violence in the Gabon capital Libreville last Saturday had put Camerounians "in danger of their lives." The Cameroun government suspended national airline flights yesterday to free planes for an emergency evacuation. Eyewitnesses reported hysterical and injured Camerounians arriving by plane at Douala airport.

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